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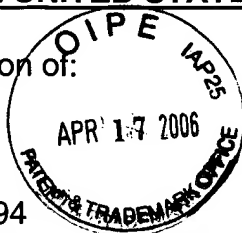
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ELECTRONIC DOCUMENT

**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

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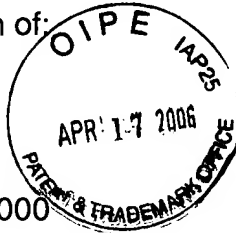
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This communication is submitted in furtherance of the Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and fee filed concurrently herewith. A Final Office Action ("Office Action") was mailed November 3, 2005 and a Notice of Appeal was filed February 2, 2006. Entry of the following amendment and consideration of the enclosed remarks are respectfully requested. The following sections are enclosed:

1. Amendments to the specification;
2. Amendments to the Drawings;
3. Amendments to the claims; and
4. Remarks.

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